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In the application of:

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office action issued May 26, 1998, with regard to the above referenced application. The period of time for responding to the Office action is set to expire on September 26, 1998, in view of Applicant's one-month petition to extend the period for response. This response is therefore timely filed.

Applicants have carefully considered each of the rejections raised and offer the following amendments and remarks in response. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested. Please amend the application as follows.